

5 August 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. DULLES

- Item 1: Proposal for a Project on Future U.S. Problems in the Satellite States (Paper transmitted August 3, 1953)

This paper has been presented to you earlier by the Office of Intelligence Coordination and is being staffed by them. Mr. Tracy Barnes wishes to note for your guidance in the discussion today that the Staff is very interested in Paragraphs 5 c and 5 d (on Page 8) and Paragraph 6 c (Pages 9 and 10). These represent problems which have received considerable attention from Mr. Barnes' Staff and he is anxious that no negative decision be taken by the PSB which would prevent his continued work on these matters.

- Item 2: PSB Relations with USIA

This item is being presented by Mr. C. D. Jackson.

- Item 3: Study of Decline of American Prestige Abroad (NSC Action No. 867, July 30, 1953)

PSB action in pursuance of NSC Action 867 is to be given careful consideration. This NSC Action set forth 5 specific questions intended to serve as guidance to the PSB in its study of the decline in U.S. prestige abroad. The discussion will presumably determine the extent of the research desired and the assignment of responsibilities under this Action. A copy of NSC Action 867 is attached.

- Item 4: German Developments

4.1 Memorandum Brief

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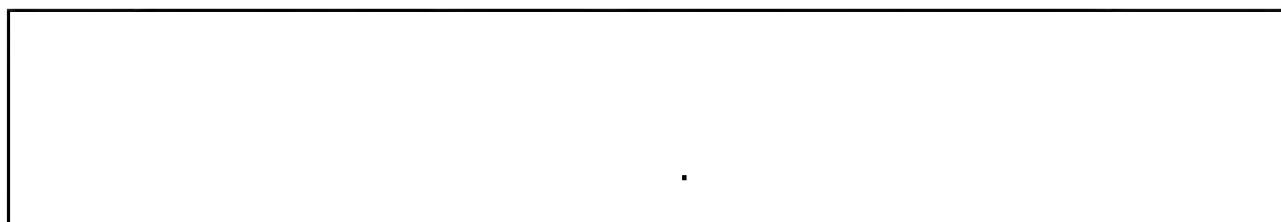
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- Item 5: Draft Executive Order on OCB

Mr. Houston has discussed this draft with you this morning and recommends your presenting an Agency view at the meeting. Mr. C. D. Jackson is also reported to be dissatisfied with the current draft.

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